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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the application of:

Cangshan XU et al.

Application No. 09/752,509

Filed: December 27, 2000

For: METHODS FOR MAKING REINFORCED WAFER
POLISHING PADS AND APPARATUSES
IMPLEMENTING THE SAME

Group Art Unit: 3723

Examiner: D. Nguyen

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

It is submitted that the following co-pending U.S. Patent Application: 09/752,703, filed December 27, 2000 entitled "METHODS FOR MAKING REINFORCED WAFER POLISHING PADS UTILIZING DIRECT CASTING AND APPARATUSES IMPLEMENTING THE SAME", a copy of which is enclosed, is related to the above-identified Patent Application, and may be material to its examination. Accordingly, Applicants submit this reference in compliance with their duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56 and 1.97. The Examiner is requested to make this references of official record in this Application.

The references listed in the attached PTO Form 1449, copies of which are attached, may be material to examination of the above-identified patent application. Applicants submit these references in compliance with their duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.56 and 1.97. The Examiner is requested to consider these references and to acknowledge such consideration by initialing the attached PTO Form 1449 at the appropriate locations.

The fee of \$180.00 set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is attached hereto. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due to our Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM2P223A).

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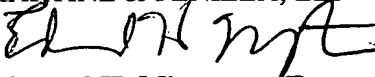
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